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Please amend paragraph [0018] on pages 6-7, as follows:

[0018] Memory 126 may include read-only (ROM) and/or random access (RAM) memory devices such as a synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM) module capable of storing data as well as instructions to be executed by processor 120. Access to data and instructions stored within memory 126 is provided via a memory controller (not shown) within north bridge circuit 124. L2 cache 122 is similarly used, typically in a hierarchical manner, to store data and instructions for direct access by processor 120. Display device 128 may include a cathode ray tube (CRT) display such as display 104, a liquid crystal display (LCD), or a similar device for displaying various kinds of data to a computer user. For example, image, textual or other graphical information may be presented to the user on display device 128. System unit 102 of data processing system 100 also features an expansion or "compatibility" bus 118 such as the Industry Standard Architecture (ISA) bus, and a south bridge circuit 134 coupling it to local bus 116 to facilitate the attachment of other, relatively slower devices to the system 100. South bridge circuit 134 includes a universal serial bus (USB) port 138 as well as other direct connections for devices like a communications network interface 130 such as a network interface card (NIC) or modem, a data storage device, such as a magnetic hard disk drive 132, and an audio device 140 such as a speaker or sound card. An input/output (I/O) controller 142 controls, input/output operation for the system. Thus, a machine-readable medium includes any mechanism that provides (i.e., stores and/or transmits) information in a form readable by a machine (e.g., a computer). For example, a machine-readable medium includes read only memory (ROM); random access memory (RAM); magnetic disk storage media; optical storage media; flash memory devices; electrical, optical, acoustical or other form of propagated signals (e.g., carrier waves, infrared signals, digital signals, etc.); etc.

Please amend paragraph [0019] on page 7, as follows:

[0019] Other devices not directly coupled to south bridge 134 may be connected to the system 100 via the expansion bus 118 as illustrated. A floppy disk drive (FDD) 144 providing additional data storage capacity on removable media storage devices such as disk 112, and input devices such as a keyboard 108 and a cursor control device 136 are each coupled to expansion bus 118 in this manner to communicate data, instructions, and/or command selections to processor 120. Cursor control device 136 may comprise a conventional mouse such as mouse 106 of Figure 1a, a trackball, or any other device capable of conveying desired cursor manipulation. Similarly, expansion bus 118 includes the input/output (I/O) controller 142 having standard serial and parallel port functionality for connecting other I/O devices such as printer 110 to the system.

Please amend the Abstract on page 32 as follows: